form 1 a) little, amail; minute fair, a shormally small [microcephaty] 2 coroce, microphone] 3 involving improperty. 4 one millionth part of, that would also micromal als cond/ Also micr. m/kro's nal's sis) n. the chemical an ery small quantities —m//cro-sn/adyst.

bär') n. [MICRO- + BAR²] a metric unit

i (mi'krô bar's graf') st. a barograph s in atmospheric pressure
) n. [Fr < Gr mikro- (see Micro-). pic organism; esp., any of the backer il-cro'bial or mi-cro'bic adj.

1/kro bi al'o je) n. the branch of biolo

una —mi/cro-bi/o-log/j-cal (-e läj'i micro-bi-oflo-gist n.
11'kro sef's le) n. (Micro- + - CEPHALY or cranial capacity is abnormally ami

(-kem'is tre) n. the chemistry of iantities or objects cro chip') n. CHIP (n. 8) kro sur kit) n. [MICRO- + CIRCUIT] circuit, used in computers, etc.

di'mit) n. [MICRO- + CLIMATE] a, as of a forest or city, or of a co gy (mi'krō kli'mə täl'ə jê) n. the si

By (mr kro kirms tairs je) n. the sistics in a small area —mirco con the sistics in a small area —mirco kilm' n. [Ger mikroklin (< Gravis see LEAN'): its cleavage angle difference in the sisting a glassy luster and good cleat

i'kro käk'ss) n., pl. -coc'ct' (-ki' ;] any of a genus (Micrococcus) of hat occur in irregular masses or

(mi'krō kəm pyööt'ər) n. a w outer whose central processing, home, small businesses, etc. 10 ro käp'e) n. pl. -copies | McCopies | McCopie ic matter produced by microcost thy reduced size kro kirzam) n. [ME microcost sosmos, little world: see Microcost universe; specif., a) man representative regarded as a minimum munity regarded as a minimum sea a pond. small ecosystem, as a pond cally adv. white, crystalline salt. in blowpipe analysis because apounds when fused with sale

seen only with a microscope in order to still n. [MICRO + -CTT stle, occurring esp. in certaint' add. [MICR(0) + -0001]

e (mi'kro kris'tal in) ed. b

at') adj. [MICR(0) + obdit, ro-dont'ous — mi'cro dont'. a. [MICRO + DOT] a comby by microphotography to put ics (mi'kro ek's nām'iks, the behavior of individus, the behavior of individus, etc.: cf. MACROSCO. ics (mi'kro ek's trīn') is the science desire. b.1 the science desire.

i'krō far'ad', -ad) n. 🧛

i'krō fēsh') n., pl. dci. a small card, mark on h: see FICHU a small n: see FICHU J a smauns of microcopy can be n' n. 1 film on which it enlarged prints can enlarged prints can enlarged by a prints can enlarged by a prints can enlarged by a prints can be necessarily and by a proposition and by a print can be not be not prints. enlarged prints can wed by projection 2 ph on microfilm rich irm). A. any form. c., as microfilm or (mi'krō gam'et

m'(m'kro gram') n. 1 one millionth of a gram: symbol, µg
h (sense 2)
h (graf) n. [MICRO-+-GRAPH] 1 an apparatus for doing
mail writing, drawing, or engraving 2 a photograph or
an object as seen through a microscope 3 an apparatus
trough the movements of a diaphragm, very slight movethe recorded in magnified visual form

olics (-graffiks) n.pl. [with sing. v.] the creation, use, and

deroform systems

inderotorm systems (mi kräg're fe) n. [MICRO- + -GRAPHY] 1 the description, or study of microscopic objects 2 the art or practice tiny characters (mi'krō groov) n. the very narrow groove in an LP

(mr kro groov) n. the very narrow groove in an LP of record

Hith n. [MICRO- + -LITH] any of various tiny flint tools
affirections and set in bone or wood: characteristic of the

(mikro mir) n. [MICRO- + -MERE] any of certain small d by unequal cell division during early embryologic in many animals, as in mollusks, flatworms, etc. the (mikro met'e er it') n. a very small meteorite, esp.

orold (-met'e er oid') n. [MICRO- + METEOROID] an

and meteoroid n. [MICRO- + METEOROID] an all meteoroid processes of meteoroid meteorology that deals with the small-scale processes of meteorology that deals with the small-scale processes on the first few bundled for the lowest propher, each in the first few bundled for the lowest propher, each in the first few bundled for the lowest propher. nosphere, esp. in the first few hundred feet above the

imi kräm'et er) n. [Fr micromètre: see MICRO- & instrument for meas-

il distances, angles, med on a telescope MICROMETER CALImi'krō mēt'ər) n.

MICROMETER

per (or calipers) calipers with a for extremely accurate measurement for extremely accurate measurement for minimizers for a finely threaded screw of defined for the screw has but used in micrometers, etc. to give fine measurements, sometimes to .0001 of an inch

Trim's tre) n. measurement with micrometers for mi'krô) combining form PICOin' Mi'krôn') n. PICOMETER
combining form NANO-

inite a char, min'i char) adj. of or using trainic parts, circuits, etc.

inite a char, min'i char) adj. of or using trainic parts, circuits, etc.

inited in the characteristic provide with electric partners and size —mi/cro-min ha turi za-

of crons' or -cra (-kra) [ModL < Gr mikron, minute: see MicA] a unit of linear measure of a meter, or one thousandth of a millimeter wha, -sha) [ModL < MicRo- + Gr nêsos, Fild] one of the three major divisions of the of the equator, east of the Philippines, & west to the line when sdi. of Micronesia, its people, or their two or inhabitant of Micronesia 2 any of the minutes in Micronesia.

by the minimum of Micronesia 2 any of the spoken in Micronesia

YE] vt. -tzed', -tz'ing [MICRON + -12E] to help a few microns in diameter

the cells of ciliate protozoans, associated

to and genetics —micro-nu'clear adj.

the tron, required in minute quantities for

organism; esp., any of the bacteria,

a parasitic microorganism -mijcro-

MICRO--PHONE | an instrument tonverts the mechanical energy of the signal: microphones are used in tineation, etc. —micro-phonic (mi'kra

con electronic devices, as a loudspeaker, on of some part

out the details 2 PHOTOMICROGRAPH

Taphy (-fa tag'ra fe) n.

[aphy (-fa tag'ra fe) n.

[atcro-+-PHYTE] any microphytic (-fit'ik) adj.

soccarab of printed or written matmitying projector or viewer

seer) n. [Micro-+ PROCESSOR] a

for performing calculations, car-

rying out stored instructions, etc.: used as the central processing unit

of a microcomputer
micro-pub-lish-ing (-pub-lish in) n. publication in microform
micro-pub-lish-ing (-pub-lish in) n. publication in microform
micro-pub-lish-ing (-pub-lish in) n. [Fr < Gr mikro- (see Micro-)· + pyle,
gate] 1 Bot. a) a very small opening in the outer coats of an ovule,
through which the pollen tube penetrates b) the corresponding
opening in the developed seed 2 Zoot. a very small opening in the
membrane of an ovum of some animals, through which spermatozoa
can enter —micro-py'lar (-pi'lar) adj.
micro-y-rom-elter (mi'kro pi rām'ot sr) n. [Micro- + Pyrometer]
an optical instrument for determining temperature, etc. of minute
bodies giving off light or heat
micro-q-adio-orabh (-ra'de 0 graff) n. [Micro- + Radiograph] an X-

micro-ra-dio-graph (-ra'de o graf) a [MICRO- + RADIOGRAPH] an Xray photograph showing very small details —mitro-radio-graph'ic ad, —mitro-radio-graphy (-rade ligro le) n. mitro-scope (mi'kra skop') n. [ModL microscopium: see MICRO-&

-SCOPE] an instrument con-sisting essentially of a lens or combination of lenses, for making very small objects, as microorganisms, look larger so that they can be seen and studied: see also ELECTRON MICROSCOPE

micro-scopic (mi'kra skäp'ik)

adj. 1 so small as to be invisible or obscure except through a microscope; extremely small; minute 2 of, with, or as if with a microscope 3 like or suggestive of a microscope; searching; minutely observing Also mijcro-scop/i-cal mijcro-scop/i-cally adv.

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Milcro-sco-pilum (mi'kre sko' pē əm) a S constellation between Capricornus and Indus microscopy (mi kräs'ka pe) n. the use of a microscope; investiga-tion by means of a microscope —micros'co-pist n. micro-sec-ond (mi'kro sek'and) n. [MICRO- + SECOND²] one mil-

lionth of a second

mound of a second micro-seism (mikro siz'am) n. [< MICRO- + Gr seismos: see SEIS-MIC] a very slight tremor or quivering of the earth's crust —mi/cro-seis'mic (-siz'mik, -sis'mik) adj. micro-seme (-sōm') n. [MICRO- + -SOME²] any of a number of minute granules in the cytoplasm of an active cell, that are filled with anyones and thought to have social with anyones and thought to have social with the cities micro-section micro-sectio

with enzymes and thought to be associated with protein synthesis

mi'cro-so'mal adj.
mi'cro-sphere (mi'krō sfir') n. [MICRO- + -SPHERE] any of various minute globules, as the hollow particles used in making lighter plas-tics or a cell-like structure resembling a proteinoid

micro-spo-ran-glum (mrkro spo ran'je am) n. pl. -gla (-a) [ModL] a sporangium containing microspores, as the pollen sac of the anther seed plants

micro-spore (mi'krō spor') n. a haploid spore, usually smaller than a megaspore of the same plant, which gives rise to a male gameto-phyte: found in all seed plants, where it is an immature pollen grain, and in many lower vascular plants —mircro-sporic adj. milcro-spo-ro-phyll (mi'kro spôr's fil') n. a sporophyll bearing only

micro-stomia tous (-stäm'ə təs, -stō'mə-) adj. [MICRO- + STOMA-TOUS] having a small mouth: also micros'to-mous (-kräs'tə məs) micro-struc-ture (mi'krō struk'chər) n. the structure, as of a metal or

alloy, seen under a microscope
micro-sur-gerly (-surjar &) n. surgery performed while viewing
through a microscope and using minute instruments or laser beams
-micro-sur-gl-cal adj.
micro-tome (-tom') n. [MICRO- + -TOME] any of various precision
instruments for cutting thin sections, as of organic tissue, for study

under the microscope mi-croto-my (mi krät'a mē) n, the skill or work of using a microtome

-mi-crot'lo-mist *n.*

mi-cro-tone (mi'krō tōn') n. Music an interval smaller than a semitone -mi'cro ton'al adi.

micro-wave (mi'krò wav) adj. 1 designating or of that part of the electromagnetic spectrum associated with the larger infrared waves and the shorter radio waves: used for radar, communications, etc. and generally regarded as from 300,000 to 300 megahertz 2 designations. nating an oven that cooks quickly by causing microwaves to penetrate the food, generating internal heat — vt. -waved', -waving to cook in a microwave oven — n. 1 any electromagnetic wave of microwave frequency 2 a microwave oven

mic-tu-rate (mik'tyoo rat', -ta-) vi. -ratied, -rating [see fol. & -ATE']

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at, ste, car; ten, eve; is, tee; go, horn, look, tool; oil, out; up, fur; ə for unstressed vowels, as a in ago, u in focus; 'as in Latin (lat'n); chin; she; zh as in azure (azh'er); thin, the; n as in ring (rin) in etymologies: " = unattested; < = derived from; > = from which a = Americanism